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ABSTRACT

Methods and apparatus, including computer program products, implement techniques for visualizing data dependencies. A specification of a component encapsulating one or more controllers is received. Each controller has an associated data structure of data elements. The component includes one or more data mappings, where each data mapping is either a context mapping or a model mapping. A context mapping binds the data element to another data element. A model mapping specifies a supply function operable to derive a value of the data element from a model. A data dependency relationship is derived whenever there is at least one data mapping between the controller and another controller or a model. Each data dependency relationship is directed from a controller to one other controller or to one of the models. A data dependency relationship is visualized by displaying a link showing a direction of data dependency.